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## What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for treating cancer comprising:
- treating a patient having a cancerous tumor with a gene inhibitor pre-operatively to inhibit upregulation of a particular gene;
- surgically removing the cancerous tumor;
- treating the patient with the gene inhibitor intra-operatively to inhibit upregulation of a particular gene;
- applying cold atmospheric plasma to surgical margins around the area in the patient from which the tumor was surgically removed; and
- treating the patient with the gene inhibitor post-operatively.
- 2. A method for treating cancer according to claim 1 wherein said cancer comprises triple negative breast cancer.

- 3. A method for treating cancer according to claim 1 wherein said particular gene comprises BCL2A1.
- **4**. A method for treating cancer according to claim **2** wherein said gene inhibitor comprises CPI203.
- 5. A method for treating cancer according to claim 1 wherein said pre-operative treating a patient with a gene inhibitor is within 24 hours of surgical removal of the cancerous tumor.
- **6**. A method for treating cancer according to claim **1** wherein said post-operative treatment of a patient with a gene inhibitor is within 24 hours after surgical removal of the cancerous tumor.
- 7. A method for treating cancer according to claim 1 wherein said applying cold plasma comprises applying cold plasma at a power setting of 80 p.

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